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**Sent:** Thur 8/8/2013 3:10:17 PM

Subject: RE: California Water Board NWQI Presentation August 20 2013

Sarah Bittleman Overview 319 Program and NWQI.pptx

Bob P TPs NWQI 2013-May21.docx

Hi Sam.

This does sound like a good opportunity. I'm attaching a couple things that should be helpful: a ppt recently used to brief Sarah Bittleman on the 319 program - NWQI and related topics are slides 10-15; and a set of talking points for Bob P. on the NWQI from May 2013. There are some big picture messages at the beginning of that.

Let us know if you need anything else. I'd be very interested to hear any feedback from the meeting.

Lynda

From: Ziegler, Sam

Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2013 6:35 PM

To: Hall, Lynda; Flahive, Katie Cc: Cabrera-Stagno, Valentina

Subject: California Water Board NWQI Presentation August 20 2013

Hi Lynda and Katie:

This is just a follow-up to my phone conversation with Lynda and vm to Katie. If you have any good NWQI presentation materials, please send them my way. In 2 weeks Valentina and I will participate with our NRCS and Water Board friends in a briefing at a public meeting to the <a href="SWRCB members">SWRCB members</a>. I'm interested in what you might have and am thinking I could use some big picture slides on future direction and importance to the NPS programs. Anyway, it is good for you to know that CA took the lead in setting up this briefing for their Board because they think it is an important partnership to highlight and build on. Thanks in advance for sending me anything you might have.

## With regards, Sam



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Subject: RE: State Water Board EQIP Presentation August 6 2013.pptx

Thanks Alan, as I mentioned to you, I'm using the presentation before the Board as a means-to-an-end. The "means" part is to stress the successful application of the Team Concept (i.e. strong/successful multi-agency and stakeholder collaborative effort) by applying the Team Concept to the NWQI projects. The "end" part is to get support from the Board to continue the Team Concept by applying the model to other projects in and outside NWQI. I'm trying to demonstrate that the regulatory agencies can really take a back-seat by consulting with the growers and their liaison groups (i.e. NRCS, RCDs, CAC, UCCE, CCA, PCA, Farm Bureau, etc.) upfront to clarify/present the issues/objectives and then let the growers and liaison groups "run with the ball" to meet the objectives. In other words, flip the current model of regulatory hammer first approach; to putting the hammer away and letting the experts use their expertise to improve water quality. Several of our Board members have expressed much interest in our presentation.

Friday is good. Sam will be getting me his final presentation later this week. Maybe he can join us for a webex conference call on Friday. What time?

Emel, I'm not sure I have kept you posted on this. I listed you as the counsel for the Information Item being presented to the Board on Aug. 20, 2013. I'm pretty sure I sent you the concept paper and Information Item request forms and other documents. If not, I'm attaching to this note. Also attached find my and NRCS powerpoints. USEPA will be sending theirs this week. I will forward to you after talking with Sam. Call me if you would like to discuss in more detail.

Thanks again and take care,

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Thanks Johnny, these changes are fine....I'll be in a staff meeting today and tomorrow...would Friday be a good time to talk?

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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 06, 2013 5:32 PM **To:** Forkey, Alan - NRCS, Davis, CA

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Hello Alan. I added a to slides # 3, 4, and 7. I think it would be good if you spent most of your time on the NWQI part of your presentation and gloss through the first five slides. I'll call you later this week. What's a good day and time?

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Hi Johnny,

Here's an updated version, made a couple of edits and added some photos of some of the practices in the Salt River watershed.....let me know if this is OK. I can probably get through all of this in about 20 minutes or less.

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